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To

The Chief Secretary  
All State/ UT Governments

**Subject: Guidelines for felling and Transit Regulation for Tree Species Grown on Non-Forest/ Private Lands.**

Sir

This is to inform that the "Guidelines for Felling and Transit Regulations for Tree Species Grown on Non-Forest Private Lands" was issued to all State/Union Territory (UT) Governments vide this Ministry's letter No. 8-14/2004-FP dated 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 for facilitating the promotion of cultivation and utilization of commonly used agro-forestry tree species grown by farmers in their agricultural fields.

2. In response to the advisory issued dated 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2014, 24 States/UTs have liberalized the Felling and Transit Regime to a great extent. In this context, the States are advised to consider that commonly grown agro-forestry tree species may be exempted from the requirement of the felling and transit permits. Some of the commonly grown species are: (i) Eucalyptus, (ii) Poplar (iii) Casuarina (iv) Subabul (v) Silver oak (vi) Acacia Mangium (vii) Melia Dubia (Malabar Neem) (viii) Khejri (Prosopis spp.) (ix) Indian willow (Salix alba) and (x) Gamari (Gmelina Arborea), etc. The list is indicative and not exhaustive.

3. Liberalization of transit and felling regime in respect of Agroforestry species will help cultivation of these species in the agriculture fields and areas outside forests. Growing of trees outside forests will provide a boost to rural economy, local job creation and help country to achieve the national and global commitments.

4. The action taken in this regard may be communicated to this Ministry at the earliest.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

  
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